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DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

Federal Railroad Administration

Petition for Waiver of Compliance

Docket Number FRA-2007-27556

Under part 211 of Title 49 Code of Federal Regulations (CFR), this provides the public notice that on January 17, 2018, SMS Rail Service petitioned the Federal Railroad Administration (FRA) for a waiver of compliance from certain provisions of the Federal railroad safety regulations contained at 49 CFR part 223. FRA assigned the petition Docket Number FRA-2007-27556.

Specifically, SMS Rail Service (SLRS) is seeking an extension of its waiver of compliance from 49 CFR § 223.11, *Requirements for existing locomotives*, for the glazing in one of its locomotives, SLRS 412. Locomotive SLRS 412 is a Baldwin VO-1000, built in 1945, and is owned by the United Railroad Historical Society, a non-profit organization. The locomotive is currently out of service; however, SLRS would like to be able to operate it again in limited service should they be able to facilitate repairs. Locomotive SLRS 412 would be operated in limited use and exclusively within the Pureland Industrial Park in Bridgeport, NJ. SLRS represents that there is no history of broken glazing on this railroad, and no overhead bridges or tunnels on the trackage. Maximum operating speed would be 10 miles per hour.

A copy of the petition, as well as any written communications concerning the petition, is available for review online at www.regulations.gov and in person at the U.S.

Department of Transportation's (DOT) Docket Operations Facility, 1200 New Jersey Avenue, SE, W12-140, Washington, DC 20590. The Docket Operations Facility is open from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m., Monday through Friday, except Federal Holidays.

Interested parties are invited to participate in these proceedings by submitting written views, data, or comments. FRA does not anticipate scheduling a public hearing in connection with these proceedings since the facts do not appear to warrant a hearing. If any interested parties desire an opportunity for oral comment and a public hearing, they should notify FRA, in writing, before the end of the comment period and specify the basis for their request.

All communications concerning these proceedings should identify the appropriate docket number and may be submitted by any of the following methods:

- Web site: http://www.regulations.gov. Follow the online instructions for submitting comments.
- Fax: 202-493-2251.
- Mail: Docket Operations Facility, U.S. Department of Transportation, 1200 New Jersey Avenue, SE, W12-140, Washington, DC 20590.
- Hand Delivery: 1200 New Jersey Avenue, SE, Room W12-140, Washington, DC 20590, between 9 a.m. and 5 p.m., Monday through Friday, except Federal Holidays.

Communications received by [INSERT DATE 45 DAYS FROM PUBLICATION OF THIS NOTICE] will be considered by FRA before final action is taken. Comments received after that date will be considered if practicable.

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comments received into any of our dockets by the name of the individual submitting the

comment (or signing the document, if submitted on behalf of an association, business,

labor union, etc.). Under 5 U.S.C. 553(c), DOT solicits comments from the public to

better inform its processes. DOT posts these comments, without edit, including any

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